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OF
STANDARDS FOR FARM PRODUCTS FORMULATED
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A Mandatory Standard may be defined as an official standard the use of which is compulsory in the conditions specified by the law under which that standard is promulgated; for instance, the Official Grain Standards of the United States for wheat are compulsory for grain shipped by grade in interstate commerce, according to the U. S. Grain Standards Act.

A Permissive Standard as here used may be defined as a standard which has been worked out and recommended officially for optional use. Such permissive standards are used by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in such lines of work as inspection and market news. Permissive standards are often adopted by States as mandatory under certain conditions.

A Tentative Standard as here used may be defined as a standard that is still subject to investigation by the Department of Agriculture, that is offered for use under commercial conditions to test its practicability or as a basis for discussion. Such a tentative standard may later become either a permissive or a mandatory standard, according to circumstances.

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(Revised to March 1925.)

Mandatory Standards:

Cotton:

White American Upland cotton..Promulgated 1914*)	Under U. S.
Yellow tinged, yellow stained	)	Cotton
and blue stained	"	1916**) Futures Act
American-Egyptian cotton.....	"	1918***) and
Sea Island cotton	"	1918****) U. S. Cotton
Length of staple	"	1918) Standards Act.

Grain:

Shelled Corn.....	"	1916)
Wheat	"	1917) Under
Oats	"	1919) U. S. Grain
Rye	"	1923) Standards Act.
Grain Sorghums	"	1924)

Containers:

Climax baskets	"	1916) Under U. S.
Berry boxes	"	1916) Standard Con-
Till baskets	"	1916) tainer Act.

Under U. S. Warehouse Act:

Wool:	)	Under U. S.
Diameter of fiber	"	1923) Warehouse Act.

(Note: Licensed tobacco warehousemen are required to use tobacco grades which have been devised for the purpose, and licensed sirup warehousemen are required to use standards promulgated by the Bureau of Chemistry for maple and cane sirup.)

* Reestablished 1916; revised 1923; partially revised 1924.

** Revised 1923.

*** Revised 1923 but discontinued in 1925 when the 1918 standards were reestablished.

**** Discontinued 1925.

Permissive Standards:

Rice, Milled	Recommended	1918)
Rice, Rough	"	1923)
Hay (Timothy; clover; clover mixed; grass mixed;)	"	1922*	) Used in con- nection with
Apples, Barreled	"	1918**	) the service
Asparagus	"	1922	) offered under
Beans, String, (Wax or green)	"	1924	) the Food Prod-
Beets, Bunched	"	1924	) ucts Inspection
Cabbage	"	1922*	) Act.
Cantaloupes	"	1924)
Carrots, Bunched	"	1924)
Cauliflower	"	1922**	) (Shipping
Celery	"	1922*	) Point
Citrus Fruits	"	1923*	) and
Cucumbers	"	1922	) Market
Grapes (Table)	"	1924	) Inspection
Grapes (Juice)	"	1923)
Lettuce	"	1923**)
Onions, Bermuda	"	1918*)
Onions, Northern-grown	"	1920*)
Peaches	"	1922*)
Peanuts (Farmers' stock)	"	1924)
Peanuts (White shelled Spanish)	"	1923*)
Peanuts (Runner)	"	1925)
Pears	"	1924)
Peppers, Sweet	"	1923)
Pineapples	"	1924)
Plums and Prunes	"	1924)
Potatoes	"	1917***)	
Potatoes, Sweet	"	1920)
Spinach	"	1925)
Strawberries	"	1918)
Tomatoes (Cannery)	"	1923)
Tomatoes (Fresh)	"	1918***)	
Turnips, Bunched	"	1924)
Watermelons	"	1923)
Butter	"	1918)
Cheese	"	1922)

* Revised 1924.

** Revised 1925.

*** Revised 1922.

Tentative Standards:

Cotton Linters	Issued 1925	) Developed
		) under U. S.
		) Cotton Stand-
		) ards Act.
Eggs	" 1923	) Used in con-
		) nection with
Hay (Alfalfa; alfalfa mixed; wild; Johnson)	" 1925	) the service
		) offered under
Beans, dry edible	" 1925	) the Food Pro-
Soybeans	" 1924	) ducts Inspec-
		) tion Act.
Meats (Fresh, frozen and cured beef)	Used in connection with the	
(Fresh and frozen veal	) service offered under Food	
(Fresh, frozen and cured pork)	Products Inspection Act.	
(Fresh and frozen lamb	) In market news work.	
(Fresh and frozen mutton	) Basis for contracts by	
	) public institutions.	
Live- (Cattle: Slaughter, stockers and feeders)		
stock (Calves: Slaughter and stockers	) Used in market news	
(Hogs: Slaughter, stockers and feeders	) work and educational	
(Sheep: Slaughter, stockers and feeders) and demonstrational	
(Lambs: Slaughter, stockers and feeders) work.	
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Standard schedule of market classes)	
and grades of cattle, calves, hogs,)	
sheep and lambs.)	

